

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 5 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

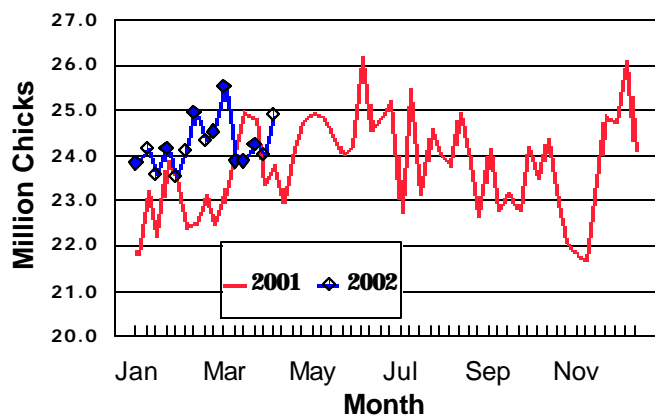
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 25.0 million during the week ending April 13, 2002, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 2001, and up 4 percent from the previous week, and included 2.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through April 13, 2002 were 364.0 million, up 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.5 million, up 3 percent from both the corresponding week a year earlier, and also from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.8 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.1 percent.

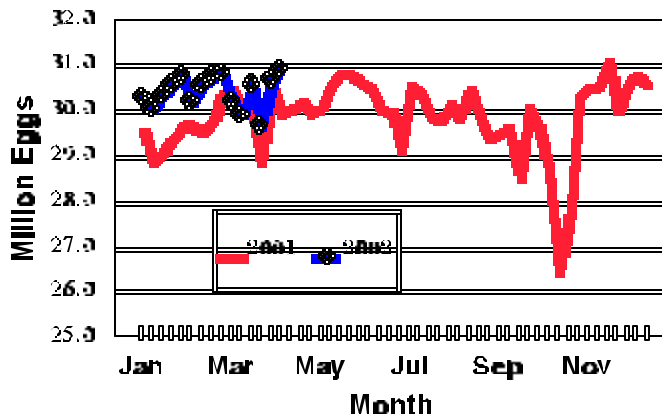
Arkansas hatcheries set 31.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 13, 2002, up 3 percent from the same period last year, and up 1 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2001	2002	%	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change
	1,000			1,000			1,000		
Mar. 9	23,203	25,518	110	24,466	25,433	104	30,536	30,238	99
Mar.	24,259	23,918	99	24,708	25,522	103	30,162	29,964	99
Mar.	25,011	23,490	94	25,259	25,539	101	29,987	30,641	102
Mar.	24,837	24,294	98	25,336	25,067	99	28,886	29,747	103
Apr. 6	23,389	24,056	103	25,003	24,711	99	30,602	30,730	100
Apr. 13	23,813	24,951	105	24,822	25,468	103	30,029	30,962	103

**CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2001 - 2002**



**EGGS SET, 2001 - 2002**



# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002**

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
STATE	23-Mar	30-Mar	06-Apr	13-Apr	1/ %	09-Mar	16-Mar	23-Mar	30-Mar	06-Apr	13-Apr	1/ %
Alabama	29,520	29,543	29,181	29,235	99	21,943	21,997	22,769	22,372	21,763	21,953	100
ARKANSAS	30,641 *	29,747	30,730	30,962	103	25,518	23,918	23,490	24,294	24,056	24,951	105
Delaware	3,471	3,537	3,556	3,545	95	5,576	5,239	5,167	4,762	5,708	4,734	101
Florida	2,317	2,368	2,335	2,349	98	2,180	2,277	2,165	2,215	2,321	2,243	91
Georgia	31,874	31,333	32,135 *	31,954	98	26,174	25,927	25,692	26,126	26,128 *	25,895	102
Maryland	9,223	9,618	9,979	9,710	112	6,293	5,874	5,970	6,050	5,815	5,944	97
Mississippi	18,827	18,945	19,079	19,024	101	15,720	15,988	15,553	15,550	15,542	15,423	99
N. Carolina	19,154 *	19,104	19,565	18,842	106	15,495	15,377	15,734	15,491	14,771	15,423	107
Pennsylvania	3,693	3,720 *	4,001 *	3,835	103	2,660	2,798	2,717	2,719 *	2,693 *	2,722	106
S. Carolina	5,050 *	4,717	4,709 *	4,781	95	3,914	3,951	3,805	3,829	3,623 *	4,143	90
Texas	15,366	15,368	15,560	15,463	101	12,212	12,186	12,157	12,096	12,102 *	12,215	105
Virginia	6,599	6,573	6,041	6,504	97	4,962	5,764	5,734	5,661	6,211	5,376	99
CA TN & W VA	11,144 *	11,087 *	11,378 *	11,640	102	9,851	9,873 *	9,690 *	10,850 *	9,783 *	9,323	87
Total 2002	186,879 *	185,660 *	188,249 *	187,844		152,498	151,169 *	150,643 *	152,015 *	150,516 *	150,345	
Total 2001	184,449	182,666	186,553	185,511		146,406	148,973	150,747	150,234	148,386	149,232	
% PREV. YEAR	101	102	101	101		104	101	100	101	101	101	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2002.....						27-Apr	04-May	11-May	18-May	25-May	01-Jun	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

*Kentucky	6,326	6,326	6,798 *	6,724	--	5,273	5,589	5,368	5,330	5,149 *	5,144	--
*Oklahoma	6,370	6,271	6,449	6,339	--	4,512	4,751	4,770	4,928	5,377	4,778	--
*LA & MO	8,964	8,960	9,215	9,227	--	9,403	10,873	10,373	8,875	7,755	8,808	--
19 State Total	208,539 *	207,217 *	210,711 *	210,134		171,686	172,382 *	171,154 *	171,148 *	168,797 *	169,075	

\* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

## **EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 1 PERCENT**

**Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 188 million eggs during the week ending April 13, 2002. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.**

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT**

**Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 150 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 13, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through April 13, 2002 were 2.25 billion, up 3 percent the same period a year earlier.**